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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.116

Sir:

In response to the Final Rejection mailed <u>December 22, 2008</u>, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and consideration of the accompanying remarks. The amendments and remarks place the claims in condition of allowance so that entry is proper. The amendments are permissible after a Final Rejection for the further reason that they place the claims in better condition for appeal. Applicants request a one-month extension of time for reply on or before April 22, 2009 and have authorized the required fee be charged to Dep. Acct. 08-0750.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.